STITCH GAUGE

7 to 9 ROWS of stitches per inch are recommended

Use **4 stitches per running inch** for filling in.

Use **6 stitches per running inch** for the outer 2 rows of rug, object outlines and single lines

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The directions on this stitch gauge are for heavy yarns and the REGULAR Oxford Punch Needle.

The same gauge can be used for FINE yarns and FINE Oxford Punch Needle **but** the stitches should be **around 7 per inch with 7 to eight rows of stitches per inch**. When using fine yarn the backing will show between the rows.

Print off your stitch gauge. Using a heavy cardstock paper will make a more durable gauge.

Cut out the gauge then carefully cut out the square in the top creating a square opening. Check the size of the opening: it should be one inch square.

Lay your gauge over where you have punched and count the stitches and rows that show in the window. It helps to check you work periodically to make sure you are maintaining a good stitch length.